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ANNUAL REPORT

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SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

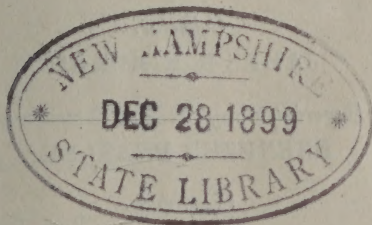
—AND—

Superintending School Committee

—OF THE—

TOWN OF NEWTON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.



EXETER, N. H.:
THE GAZETTE STEAM PRINTING HOUSE.
1882.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Representative to General Court.

WILLIAM W. WILDER.

Supervisors of Check List.

JOHN S. PEASLEE, DAVID C. PRESCOTT,
WALTER C. GALE.

Town Officers elected annually.

Town Clerk.

GEORGE B. MERRILL.

Selectmen.

ALMON F. DRAKE, GEORGE G. CARTER,
ENOCH SEAVEY.

Town Treasurer.

HERVEY N. GOULD.

Collector.

JAMES B. KIMBALL.

Superintending School Committee.

EBENEZER PEASLEE.

Constables.

B. F. WAKEFIELD, JOHN GORDON.

Auditors.

WILLIAM W. WILDER, GEORGE B. MERRILL.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION.

Invoice of Residents,	\$254,353 00
“ Non-residents,	58,735 00
No. of polls, 284,	28,400 00
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Total valuation,	341,488 00
Rate of State, County, Town, and School tax,	
1.70 per \$100.	
Rate of Highway tax, 25c per \$100.	
Total State, County, Town, and School tax, in-	
cluding percentage.	5,807 02

APPROPRIATIONS.

For town charges,	3000 00
State tax,	768 00
County tax,	1,148 01
Schools,	77 00
Percentage,	119 01
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	5,807 02
School house tax in District No. 3,	15 75
Dog tax,	56 00
Resident highway tax,	708 34
Non-resident highway tax,	147 28
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	927 37
Total committed to collector in 1881.	6,734 39

A BATEMENT OF TAXES.

John F. Brown, ⁴ / ₄ poll 1878,	\$2 32
Martha Currier, taxes on Savings bank money out of State, 1879,	3 90
James Currier, on Savings bank money out of State '79,	31 20
Miss Lydia Rowell, " "	3 90
John Hoyt, " "	4 82
Hiram P. Heath, " "	12 90
Mrs. George Durgin, " "	4 69
Sylvester B. Rowe, " "	6 85
George W. Marston, " "	1 17
Mrs. Joseph Colbey, " "	15 60
Mrs. Ruth E. Webster, " "	1 45
Richard Sargent, " "	9 75
Edwin Kelley, poll,	1 95
J. P. M. Green, horse,	1 95
Carlos Nelson, 1880, horse,	2 20
Thomas Crane, "	2 20
Enoch C. Bartlett, 1880, dog,	2 00
Edward Swett, "	1 00
Edwin Kelley, " poll,	2 20
Thomas Spaulding, "	2 20
Sylvester Falls, "	2 20
Richard Kelso, "	2 40
John C. Bartlett, on account of work on highway 1881,	7 02
Sargent & Currier, over taxed 1881,	1 46
John G. Goodwin, " "	98
Charles F. Rowe, poll tax, "	1 95
Thomas Hamilton, left Town, "	2 54
George Sargent, over taxed, "	3 42

 \$136 22

MONEY RECEIVED.

From State Treasurer, Railroad tax,	95 46
“ “ bounty,	5 10
“ “ Savings bank tax,	88 80
“ “ Literary fund,	67 51
Fred Hatch, N. H. reports,	40 00
County for the Kelso family,	16 81
Rent of town house,	23 50
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	\$337 18

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Dr.

To bonds,	19,600 00
Coupons not paid March 1, 1882,	1,026 00
David S. Bartlett, sheep order,	8 00
Jane S. Rowell, “	5 00
Ann S. Whittier, “	4 00
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	20,643 00

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Balance due upon reimbursement account,	13,466 67
U. S. bounty,	1,179 00
Collector, 1879,	45 75
“ 1880,	233 62
“ 1881,	1,290 55
Cash on hand,	2,784 50
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	19,000 09

TOWN DEBT.

Town debt over assets March 1, 1882,	1,642 91
“ reduced during the year,	766 23

ALMON F. DRAKE,	} Selectmen of Newton.
GEORGE G. CARTER,	
ENOCH SEAVEY,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Hervey N. Gould, Treasurer, in account with the town of Newton, for the year ending March 1, 1882.

DR.

To amount received of Treasurer, 1881,	979 91
“ “ Selectmen,	337 18
“ “ Town Clerk for Billiard Table,	19 00
“ “ William W. Boswell on the Martin Greely case,	10 00
To amount rec'd of J. B. Kimball, Collector, 1878,	21 47
“ “ “ “ 1879,	150 00
“ “ “ “ 1880,	2,109 61
“ “ “ “ 1881,	4,718 13
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	\$8,345 30

CR.

By amount paid by order of the Selectmen :

Paid State tax,	768 00
County tax,	1,148 01
School money,	839 51
School house money District, No. 3,	15 00
Town officers services,	252 00
Snow bills,	175 88
On account of poor,	277 49
Non-resident tax worked out,	133 86
Miscellaneous,	424 10
Savings bank money, tax 1879 out of the state,	258 95
Two hundred dollars town bonds,	200 00
Interest on bonds,	1,068 00
Balance cash on hand,	2784 50
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	\$8345 30

SCHOOL MONEY.

Dis. No. 1, William W. Gould,	\$117 27
2, George B. Merrill,	243 09
3, George S. Durgin,	117 03
4, J. S. Peaslee,	94 72
5, C. A. Kimball,	103 00
6, J. W. Walker,	154 40
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	\$839 51

SCHOOL HOUSE MONEY.

Dis. No. 3, George W. Marston.	\$15 00
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TOWN OFFICERS SERVICES.

Paid A. F. Drake, Selectman and Overseer of Poor,	\$56 00
Geo. G. Carter, " "	28 00
Enoch Seavey, " "	35 00
H. N. Gould, Treasurer,	25 00
George B. Merrill, Town Clerk,	25 00
J. B. Kimball, Collector,	58 00
Ebenezer Peaslee, S. S. Committee,	25 00
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	\$252 00

SNOW BILLS.

Dist. No. 1, M. B. Peaslee,	\$23 00
2, L. J. Bartlett,	14 23
3, Geo. S. Durgin,	45 34
4, J. H. Gale,	19 85

Dist. No. 5, Peter S. Whittier,	9 79
6, J. R. Rowell,	29 88
7, N. Chase,	23 40
3, A. F. Drake, 1880,	2 55
4, J. H. Gale, “	2 85
5, Philip Whittier, 1880,	1 69
6, J. R. Rowell, “	3 30
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	\$175 88

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX WORKED OUT.

Dist. No. 1, M. B. Peaslee,	33 24
2, Amos D. Carter,	22 04
3, Geo. S. Durgin,	21 46
4, J. H. Gale,	13 07
6, J. R. Rowell,	15 99
7, Nathaniel Chase,	28 06
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	\$133 86

ON ACCOUNT OF POOR.

Paid Daniel Stevens, goods to the Peaslee family, 1881,	108 00
Enoch Seavey, clothing for the Peaslee family, 1881,	4 00
John Currier, boarding S. P. Currier, 1881,	56 00
Expenses of Mrs. Lucy Wallace,	92 68
Robert Blair, articles furnished for Kelso family,	16 81
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	\$277 49

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid E. Seavey, printing Town reports 1880,	\$18 00
W. C. Gale, for printing check lists,	6 50
Benj. F. Wakefield, stage for Town Hall,	12 00
H. G. Blaisdell, one-half cord of pine and hard wood for Town Hall,	2 38
E. Seavey, appointment blanks,	1 00
A. F. Drake, distributing inventory blanks,	3 00
“ “ Town reports,	2 00
“ Collectors books and Surveyors book,	1 84
“ Expense of weights & measures sealed,	5 00
H. N. Gould, record book for Town Clerk,	3 75
Curtis and Elwell, lumber for town hall,	12 85
D. S. Bartlett, damage done to sheep, 1880,	8 00
A. F. Drake, chairs and tables for town hall,	5 50
“ Bounty on hawks,	6 00
“ Two hundred lbs white lead, town hall	15 00
Geo. T. Clifford, lettering guide boards,	1 00
E. C. Bartlett, work on town hall,	10 37
A. F. Drake, labor &c. on town hall,	13 50
C. H. Barry, 8 days painting on town hall,	14 00
W. W. Wilder, paints, oil, lamps &c., for town hall,	55 36
“ Highway taxes worked out in District No. 2, for 1880,	20 95
Geo. T. Clifford, lettering sign on town hall,	1 75
Stevens Hoyt, painting on town hall,	12 75
J. R. Rowell, labor on Russ bridge,	8 72
A. F. Drake, paper and stamps,	3 55
B. F. Wakefield, shingling hearse house,	12 63
J. R. Rowell, spikes for bridge,	1 00
A. F. Drake, expenses to Exeter to settle with County Commissioners,	2 00
Albert Peaslee, labor on town house,	1 00

Paid F. C. Hoyt, cook stove for Mrs. Wallace,	3 00
Benj. F. Wakefield, lumber Dist. No. 2 and 6,	6 67
E. Kelly, labor on town hall,	2 00
B. F. Wakefield, care of town hall and board- ing tramps, and services as police,	21 50
Peter S. Whittier, driving hearse,	16 00
W. C. Gale, supervisor,	3 00
D. C. Prescott, "	3 00
Geo. B. Merrill, auditor,	2 00
W. C. Gale, births and deaths,	2 25
Geo. G. Carter, one guide post,	40
" " watering trough,	3 00
A. M. Davis, "	3 00
M. P. Rowell, "	3 00
E. Rowell, "	3 00
Amos D. Carter, Resident highway tax, work- ed out, No. 2,	56 85
W. W. Wilder, lamps, pitcher, etc,	3 71
State tax,	5 00
J. H. Gale, Resident highway tax worked out District No. 4,	4 70
J. H. Gale, repairing guide boards,	75
William Robinson, watering trough,	3 00
George S. Durgin, resident highway tax worked out District No. 3,	16 22
H. N. Gould, two receipt books,	65
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	\$424 10

Paid back, taxes paid on Savings bank money out of the
State, 1879.

Paid Polly Goodwin,	\$21 50
A. F. Drake,	6 99
George Currier,	1 08
Ira A. Gale,	13 98
Octave Paquett,	6 45
Israel Ingalls,	3 44
Julia A. Gale,	10 75
Isaac T. Hoyt,	10 60
T. C. Ingalls,	4 30
C. F. Wilder,	3 22
N. Day,	26 66
James Currier,	3 20
Ruth E. Webster,	22 20
S. P. Carter,	3 33
Hiram C. Veal,	13 22
Lucina Hoyt,	4 30
M. P. Rowell,	17 20
A. J. Doak,	10 75
Mrs. Richard Sargent,	8 61
Elbridge R. Rowell,	2 23
Rhoda J. Carter,	3 78
George G. Carter,	25 80
Sarah C. Hoyt,	3 70
W. M. Carter,	17 20
J. S. Peaslee,	6 45
Levi Wilson,	2 15
Job Stevens,	5 00
J. L. Smith,	86

\$258 95

COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

J. B. Kimball, 1878,	Dr.	
To uncollected taxes March 1, 1881,		23 79
	CR.	
By collections to March 1, 1882,	21 47	
Abatements,	2 32	
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J. B. Kimball, 1879,	Dr.	
To uncollected taxes March 1, 1881,		295 86
	CR.	
By collections to March 1, 1882,	150 00	
Abatements,	100 13	
Uncollected taxes March 1, 1882,	45 73	
	<hr/>	295 86
J. B. Kimball, 1880,	Dr.	
To uncollected taxes March 1, 1881,		2359 63
	CR.	
By collections to March 1, 1882,	2,109 61	
Abatements,	16 40	
Uncollected taxes, March 1, 1882,	233 62	
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J. B. Kimball, 1881,	Dr.	
To tax list,		\$6734 39
	CR.	
By collections to March 1st, 1882,	\$4718 13	
Resident highway taxes,	708 34	
Abatements,	17 37	
Uncollected taxes March 1st, 1882,	1290 55	
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HERVEY N. GOULD, Town Treasurer.

Newton, March 2, 1882.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer, and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

WM. W. WILDER, }
GEO. B. MERRILL, } Auditors.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

Remembering well, a former request to be short in my school report, I hope to be excused for respectfully observing this rule of brevity in this report of our schools.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

WILLIAM W. GOULD, *Prudential Committee.*

MISS ELVIRA R. SMITH, of Newton, *Teacher.*

In this small school, Miss Smith has given good evidence that she possesses some of the best abilities for school teaching.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

GEORGE B. MERRILL, *Prudential Committee.*

MRS. EUNICE M. DOAK, of Newton, *Teacher.*

This is Mrs. Doak's seventh year, making seventeen terms in succession of successful teaching in her own school district, without any perceptible waning interest. The like is not to be found in the past history of our town.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

GEORGE S. DURGIN, *Prudential Committee.*

MISS MAMIE E. BOSWELL of Newton, *Teacher.*

This school which has been justly regarded for many years as one of the best, has more than fully sustained its former reputation under the instructions of Miss Boswell, who may truly be regarded as a Model Teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

JOHN S. PEASLEE, *Prudential Committee.*

MISS EMMA L. NELSON, of East Kingston, *Teacher.*

From Miss Nelson's unusual success in this, her first school, we should presume at once if she follows her well chosen profession of school teaching, that she will rank with the first-class of teachers.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

CHARLES A. KIMBALL, *Prudential Committee.*

MISS EMMA S. EASTMAN, of South Hampton, *Teacher.*

This school, under the instruction of Miss Eastman, which so greatly excited the admiration of the citizens of the district at its closing examination last year, has this year far exceeded the last, which goes to prove that our *best teachers* in our *best schools* are more and more successful in teaching the same.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

MR. H. J. WALKER, *Prudential Committee.*

MISS ABBIE I. GALE, of Kingston, *Teacher.*

It would give me much pleasure to speak more fully of this very interesting school, and of the many excellencies so largely and fully possessed by Miss Gale as a teacher which would hardly be possible to over-estimate.

Whole number of boys between 5 and 15 years attending school during the year, 72; Whole number of

girls between the ages of 5 and 15 years attending school during the year, 71. Total, 143.

Whole number of boys in town between the ages of 5 and 15 years as reported by the Selectmen, 61. Whole number of girls in town between the ages of 5 and 15 years as reported by the Selectmen, 54. Total, boys and girls, 115.

It is most truly a source of the greatest pleasure and encouragement to us, to see the success of our district schools the present year, and the increasing interest in our town for the promotion of education.

We are having at the Junction in District No. 6, an interesting term of a private school under the instruction of Miss Mamie E. Boswell, free for all the scholars in the district.

We have also had two terms of a High school in the Town Hall under the management of Mr. Page who seems to be every way right for a teacher of such a school.

And now we hope that this very commendable and praise-worthy interest which if continued will not fail to elevate us more than thousands of gold and silver ; will not only be kept alive, but that it will continue to increase more and more.

And having served so many years as school committee, and whereas there are others more youthful, and with the modern improvements of our ever growing and improving system of education being so much better adapted for superintending our schools, I have, with many thanks for the past, decided to decline receiving another appointment to this office.

EBENEZER PEASLEE, Supt. Com.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF OUR SCHOOLS

No. of the school districts.	No. of terms.	Length of schools in weeks.	Wages of teachers per mo.	Whole No. pupils in schools.	Average No. pupils.	Average daily attendance.	No. pupils not absent.	No. visits by supt. com.	No. visits by prn. com.	No. visits by citizens.	No. of boys.	No. of girls.	No. attending to reading.	No. attending to spelling.	No. attending to penmanship.	No. attending to arithmetic.	No. attending to geography.	No. attending to grammar.	No. attending to history.	No. attending to composition.	No. attending to algebra.	No. attending to book-keeping.	No. attending to physiology.	No. attending to drawing.	No. attending to music.
No. 1.	1	9	\$15	10	10	10	2	3	0	26	6	5	10	10	7	7	7	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	10
No. 2.	1	13	20	11	10	10	2	2	0	38	5	5	10	11	7	45	25	4	13	25	0	0	0	11	
No. 3.	2	11	28	50	50	47	26	2	0	5	23	27	50	50	47	45	26	25	13	26	0	0	0	50	
No. 4.	3	11	28	47	44	38	13	2	0	7	20	24	46	46	40	48	26	26	10	20	1	1	1	50	
No. 5.	1	10	24	25	24	23	2	2	1	15	18	7	25	25	25	22	25	6	25	13	1	1	1	46	
No. 6.	2	11	24	25	24	23	2	2	0	21	0	4	4	4	3	3	1	4	0	13	1	1	1	4	
No. 7.	1	9	20	4	4	4	2	2	0	20	0	5	5	5	5	16	11	1	0	8	9	1	2		
No. 8.	2	10	28	5	22	17	3	2	0	26	11	12	21	23	16	16	11	6	4	4	9	1	1		
No. 9.	1	11	28	20	18	17	2	3	0	9	9	11	16	19	13	15	10	8	4	9	0	0	0		
No. 10.	2	10	28	29	27	25	4	3	0	20	14	15	29	29	20	21	17	9	4	0	2	1	2		
No. 11.	2	11	28	29	26	24	2	2	0	10	14	15	29	29	16	19	12	9	4	0	2	0	2		

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